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## WARD WORKERS VOTE ON UNION TODAY

### Carpenter Strike May Begin June 25

#### REPORT

To Our Readers - Owners

#### PUBLIC FLYPAPER

Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party in this country, released from prison on Smith Act charges recently, went on a public platform in New York City May 27 and advocated a "revitalized, chastened and strengthened" democratic American left alliance as the path to a better America and world peace.

Norman Thomas, six times Socialist candidate for President, shared the platform with Dennis, and vigorously repudiated the idea that it would be beneficial for any believer in democracy to ally himself with the Communies.

There was nothing unexpected about either man's point of view as expressed on that public platform provided by the pacifist Fellowship of Reconciliation. Dennis held out the flypaper to the fly, and Thomas tore up the proffered sheet of sticky poison.

What was unusual was to have 2000 Americans given an opportunity to hear a discussion of Communism, with the Communist given full opportunity to express his viewpoint under the rules of civilized debate.

#### ANGRY MICE

But why should this be considered unusual?

We all know the answer, if we stop to think about it, which we don't do often enough. The answer is that for years, with the Communies penetrating us all about, we were geese; and when we found out what was doing we became angry mice.

We were so appalled to discover that we'd been unsuspecting geese, that we've been functioning timorously as angry mice ever since. We're afraid that if we hear a Commie present his case publicly we'd all be swept off our feet and become Communies ourselves.

During the goose stage the radio program Town Meeting used to receive and struggle with so many questions from the Communies that an old union hand, accustomed to the term's tactics, would just sit and laugh. Then during the angry mice stage, Town Meeting put in so many FBI methods of heading off Communist queries that never a one would get through.

#### WE'RE FUNNY TOO!

Ever since we became angry mice we go around telling the whole world that the difference between us and those stupid Russians is that in this country we're not afraid of full and free discussion, whereas the stupid Russians are.

But let anyone propose that a Commie be allowed to speak, openly and as persuasively as he can, for his cause on a platform, whether it be at a university, a schoolhouse, or a union floor, and in a minute the angriest mice of all, the American Legion and their pals, rush in and save the country. And the rest of us accept that kind of a country as ideal.

The Russians are sidesplittingly funny when they claim they invented everything from the steam engine to the steam calliope, but we're just as funny when as angry mice in the name of free speech we do all we can to prevent free speech from infesting the country with thoughts we don't like.

#### OFFICIAL NOTICES

The following unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 3 of this issue of the Journal.

AUTO MACHINISTS 1546  
SHEET METAL WORKERS 216  
CEMENT MASONS 594  
S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18  
HAYWARD CULINARY 823  
HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178  
SO. ALAMEDA COUNTY  
VOTERS LEAGUE-AFL

#### 5 House Painters' Locals Launching New Agent System

The five house painters' locals affiliated with Painters District Council 16 in Alameda and Contra Costa counties are in the process of inaugurating a new system which will enable the member of any local to work anywhere in the District Council's area without any red tape.

The plan has been discussed with great thoroughness and has been adopted by referendum of all the local unions affiliated with the council as of May 23.

As explained by Les Moore, secretary-treasurer of District Council 16, there will be elected 5 fulltime business representatives and a secretary-treasurer. The business representatives will be elected from the house painters' local unions, the secretary-treasurer will be elected by all the membership of the affiliated local unions.

Each house painters' local will nominate two members to be candidates for business representatives, those elected to hold office for one year. The ten thus placed on the ballot will be voted on by all members of the house painters' locals; the 5 men will be elected, each a member of a different local.

The five elected business representatives will be free to carry on their work all over the area as assigned from time to time, just as every member of every one of the five locals will be free to work anywhere within the District Council's jurisdiction where he gets a job. He will get service from a business agent wherever he works.

The secretary-treasurer of the District Council will be elected by all members of the 10 locals affiliated with the council, 5 of these being the house painters' locals and 5 of them the so-called autonomous locals.

The house painters' locals are: Oakland 127, Hayward 1178, Berkeley 40, Richmond 580, and Martinez 741. The autonomous locals are: Auto & Ship Painters 1176, Paint Makers 1101, Linoleum Layers 1290, Sign Painters 878, and Glaziers 169.

Election dates for the 10 locals, with the autonomous locals and the house painters' locals all voting for secretary-treasurer of the District Council, and the house painters' locals voting on the election of their 5 business agents, are as follows:

June 15: 1178 and 580  
June 19: 1178 and 1101  
June 21: 878  
June 22: 40 and 169  
June 26: 741  
June 28: 127 and 1290.

#### Milk Driver Show On 7-Day Schedule

Children's Fairland will go on a seven-day weekly schedule on Monday, June 18. It is announced by G. R. Auguston, chairman of the board of trustees for Children's Fairland.

Although normally closed for maintenance on Mondays and Tuesdays, the demands of thousands of summer visitors from out-of-state and from other communities have resulted in the decision to keep Fairland open to the public seven days a week during the remainder of June and all of July and August, from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

One of the new features at Fairland is the puppet theater, where the Hayward Marionettes present a variety show at 11 a.m. each day, a fairy tale play at 2 p.m., and another puppet show of variety acts at 4 o'clock. The puppet shows, which are sponsored by the Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Local 302, are presented without charge for the entertainment of visitors to Children's Fairland, which is located in Lakeside Park at the entrance on Grand Avenue and Park View Terrace.

#### LOCAL OPTION PLAN OUT; CAN'T GET SIGNATURES

Joe Canale, Bartenders 52, announced at the Central Labor Council this week that the local option petition which has been circulating for some time will not get on the November ballot, as after prolonged efforts only some 63,000 signatures had been secured, and 320,000 are needed.

The proposal has been opposed by organized labor. Most of the signatures were gained in the southern end of the State, but Canale said some few futile attempts had been made to get them in Alameda county.

#### Telegraphers Win 13-cent Pay Rise In Western Union

The strike of AFL-CIO Commercial Telegraphers Union against the big Western Union Corporation didn't have to get off the ground this year, although the engines had begun to whirl the propellers, and it looked as though the take-off down the runway was about to begin.

Last week in the Central Labor Council A. J. Silva, Commercial Telegraphers 208, had told the delegates who the big

CTU 208 AD announcing settlement with Western Union will be found on page 3.

corporation was trying to defeat labor with labor, using an outlaw union in New York City in an effort to beat down the CTU.

This week, however, Silva announced that not only had a settlement been reached with the company, but also:

"We hope that Western Union realizes now that they must deal with our representatives, and not continue to try to go over our representatives' heads and try to reach directly and influence our membership. If the company now understands this basic law, we are on the verge of mature relations with Western Union."

Silva added that "we'd rather spend money helping Western Union get business than fighting them, so we're running an advertisement in East Bay Labor Journal announcing our settlement and urging people to do business with the company."

Silva said that management began to realize that the representatives of the union really did represent the membership when in city after city during the negotiations the union people would walk out for 4-hour stop-work meetings.

CTU 208 in its ad in this issue of East Bay Labor Journal reminds readers that Sunday, June 17, is Father's Day, and suggests: "Remember Dad by Telegraph!"

Silva said that the contract expired May 31, the settlement was reached June 6, but President Larry Ross and representatives of the union in other parts of the country were working on the matter far back in April.

The union had originally asked 16 cents across the board and a one-year contract, but the final settlement was for 13 cents and two years. Even so, it is one of the best agreements reached in some years, said Silva. Five cents is also allowed for correction of inequities in classifications. Pension provisions are included.

#### Stereotyper Union President Passes

Leo Buckley, 57, international president of the Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union, died of cancer Sunday at his home in New York City.

Born in Lewiston, Me., Buckley was elected president of the international in 1938.

#### State Ruling On Building Trades Pay Is Protested

Action by the State Personnel Board has put building trades craftsmen in the employ of the State far below the prevailing scale for their fellow workers in private industry, the Building Trades Council was told at its last meeting.

BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers was reporting on the June 1 session of the State Personnel Board in Sacramento, to which was attended by Childers and some 200 others.

The session lasted from 2 to 8 p.m. that day, with a long session the next day. The proposal, which was finally adopted by the board, voting 5 to nothing, was to put building trades craftsmen in State employ on a monthly pay basis rather than by the day.

Charles P. Scully, chief counsel for the State Federation of Labor, made an excellent presentation of labor's case, said Childers. Several State department heads were favorable to continuing to pay the craftsmen on the daily basis, but State Finance wished to have them transferred to the monthly schedule.

Several building trades representatives, including Childers, spoke for retaining the daily pay system. Building trades craftsmen employed by the State also backed Scully's arguments.

The wages as a result of the 5 to 0 decision, which was taken on the advice of the Personnel Board's staff, are now frozen, said Childers, and at the present rate of increase in State pay it would take years for the men to catch up to where they were before the decision was made.

Childers felt that the survey on which the recommendation for the change was based was quite inadequate. Evidently corporations' figures on the pay of maintenance men was used as a basis. Accordingly, there seemed some possibility that the decision might be attacked as illegal.

Chester Bartolini, Carpenters 36, executive secretary of the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, told the BTC delegates that he was greatly disturbed by the Personnel Board's decision, as it would have very serious repercussions throughout California.

The power of labor leaders in the State apparently has been greatly overestimated, Bartolini surmised. He had assumed the Sacramento meeting was merely routine, and that the decision of the board would be favorable on the basis of "I'll talk to the Governor."

The State Harbor Board, Bartolini reminded the delegates, had said there would be no change so far as it was concerned.

"I was amazed when told of the ruling," he said.

The carpenters have never made any deal with corporations on maintenance work, added Bartolini; he had given a brief to Scully showing that all carpenters have to have high skills and go through elaborate training as apprentices. To assume that the so-called maintenance men should get lower pay is to assume that they are second class industrial citizens.

Bartolini said he felt some of the crafts were at fault for having weakened on this stand. When Metropolitan Insurance Co. had finished building Park Merced apartments in San Francisco, he said, craftsmen were kept on at the construction rate of pay, but Metropolitan kept fighting for the establishment of a maintenance scale instead, and some crafts finally gave in, all but the carpenters.

"The carpenters have one rate of pay, the construction rate, whether a man is working on building a house or is employed in a hotel or department store," said Bartolini.

Hugh Rutledge, Painters 127, (Continued on Page 2)

#### UNION AT WARD'S WINS PAY RISE



MONTGOMERY WARD RATIFICATION. Members of Teamster Warehousemen 853 are shown at the meeting June 6 at which they ratified the agreement reached by the Teamsters Montgomery Ward Council negotiators with the big mail order and retail house. The meeting was held at the union's headquarters, 3888 Piedmont Avenue. Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Nicholas presided, and the terms of the agreement were explained by Business Representative Tom Connor, who was one of the negotiators of the new agreement, which was reached at sessions in Chicago.

#### One Ward Group Casts Votes As Others Okay New Contract

Upwards of 400 office-clerical and building-operating employees of the Oakland Montgomery Ward mail order house are voting today (Friday) on the question of whether they wish to be represented in collective bargaining by Teamster Warehousemen 853, or prefer to have no union representation.

Business Representative Tom Connor, who for some time has been assigned by Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Nicholas to the Montgomery Ward work of the union, was able to tell those voting in today's election about the new contract with the company approved last week by 650 other employees in the mail order house and in the retail store here who have for some time been members of the union.

The new contract, retroactive to June 1, was approved Wednesday of last week at a meeting in Local 853's headquarters, 3888 Piedmont Avenue. With a majority of the 19 Teamster locals affiliated with the Teamster Montgomery Ward Council having voted to accept the contract, its acceptance by the union is confirmed. The balance of the locals in the council were expected to confirm it formally.

Of the 19 locals, 9 scattered through the country are directly concerned with the 9 main mail order and retail establishments of the type well known in Oakland.

Each of these 9 locals sent a representative to sit on the negotiating committee in Chicago, which conferred with the company's spokesmen from May 18 to May 31, the date when the old contract expired. On May 31 terms were agreed upon which were recommended to the membership by the committee and its coordinator, Teamster International Vice President Jim Hoffa.

Connor was the representative of Warehousemen 853 on the negotiating committee for the union. He returned to Oakland last week convinced that excellent terms had been established in the new contract.

The contract provides for a minimum increase of 5 cents an hour for all mail order personnel, this increase running up to 31 cents an hour in some classifications.

The maintenance of membership clause remains as in the previous contract. Provision for checkoff of dues is new, and there are, said Connor, "vastly better seniority provisions, and a much better grievance clause."

Another new feature is the full right of the union to use the company bulletin boards on company property for the posting of union notices and bulletins.

On health and welfare, the company has pledged itself to end not later than September 1,

#### Classic Struggle For 7-Hour Day Is Drawing Near Now

Members of Carpenters 36, along with the other locals affiliated with the Bay District Council of Carpenters, are poised on the verge of a strike for the 7-hour day at the present pay for 8 hours, Joe Hightower of that union reminded the Central Labor Council this week.

"We have the sanction to strike from the Building Trades Council," said Hightower, "and we're prepared to hit the bricks as we did four years ago when we were out 9 weeks winning the health and welfare plan which many people claimed we could never win. We don't know how long this one will last, but we're confident now is the time to go."

Hightower said that negotiations were continuing. If they fail to bring results, the strike will probably begin Monday, June 25, as the ballots will be in from locals by Friday, June 22, and there is every indication that the membership is resolute.

Joe Canale, Bartenders 52, commented:

"The 7-hour day is something we should have had years ago, and already some of us are anticipating the 6-hour day," said Canale. "There's nothing strange or unusual about it. Time was men worked the 12-hour day, and it's gradually been cut down to most people working an 8-hour day. This is just one more cut of an hour the carpenters are going after. And let me add that if the carpenters need some financial help, I hope they'll be sure to write to Bartenders 52, and they'll get it."

#### LOCAL 36 ELECTION

A. Cunningham, for years a delegate to the Central Labor Council from Carpenters 36, was elected by CLC President John F. Quinn as one who had been a very faithful delegate, and who deserved applause for his setting such a good example to others. Quinn said he regretted to hear that Cunningham would no longer be a delegate. Cunningham had not run for reelection.

Cunningham at Quinn's request stood up and was applauded. He called attention to the fact that two other faithful delegates long representing Carpenters 36 were giving up their function as delegates also. They were Leon Vannier and Fred Fincken.

Carpenters 36 election was held June 8, with the following results:

President — Preston Rowe reelected without opposition.  
Business Agent — Al Thoman elected, defeating Lewis Wilson.  
Examining Board — John Walsh reelected without opposition.

20 Delegates to the District Council of Carpenters elected: Oscar N. Anderson, C. R. Bartolini, Gunnar Benonys, James Brooks, M. B. Cameron, John Clapp, George Collins, E. M. Crow, V. V. Dart, J. C. Dial, Lem Flannigan, Howell Frazier, Joe Hightower, Barney Holder, Sr., Anders Larsen, Frank Lindahl, Jack O'Brien, C. E. Risley, Al Thoman, John Walsh.

Others running for the District Council were: Ralph Boyd, Toby Brightwell, W. O. Jackson, Ed Jonson, Paul Light, Preston Rowe, Walter Simms, Lewis Wilson.

10 Delegates to the Building Trades Council elected: Oscar N. Anderson, C. R. Bartolini, M. B. Cameron, George Collins, J. C. Dial, Lem Flannigan, Joe Hightower, Jack O'Brien, C. E. Risley, Lewis Wilson.

Others running for the BTC were: Thomas Almond, Toby Brightwell, Howell Frazier, Paul Light, Robert Rose, Herman Sharp, Walter Simms, Al Thoman.

3 Delegates to the Central Labor Council elected: James Brooks, Joe Hightower, William Wheeler.

Others running for the CLC were: Thomas Almond, Fred Fincken, John King.

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## Can Post Office Workers Even Ask A Question Now?

John Cramer, writing from Washington in the San Francisco News, reported recently: Newly-issued Post Office Department regulations promise to stir an unprecedented storm of protest from postal workers unions and their supporters in Congress.

Rep. John D. Dingell (D., Mich.) has blasted one of the new rules as being "as bad as any regulation ever issued by Nazi Germany, Communist Russia, or any other dictatorship."

And Leo George and E. C. Halbeck, leaders of the AFL-CIO National Federation of Postal Clerks, have denounced another set of new rules as "union-busting on a grand scale . . . deliberately timed to intimidate, mislead, coerce, discredit and censor union members and union activities."

The regulation attacked by Dingell provides that employees "shall not actively engage in campaigns for or against changes in the postal service, or furnish information to be used in such campaigns unless prior approval has been obtained from higher authority."

Under the ruling, he charged, "No postal employee may take any steps to discuss working conditions or wage rates with anyone else connected with employment without prior approval of the Department, a most effective gag."

The new rules criticized by George and Halbeck came in a recent revision of the employment relations section of the Postal Manual.

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## State Ruling On Building Trades Pay Is Protested

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said that he was very happy to have heard Bartolini's talk on this subject. He said the issue was similar to that involved in the various disputes with the University of California, and that a united front was needed in facing UC just as in the case of the carpenters' fight for the Personnel Board.

The painters too have only one scale, said Rutledge, but ground has been lost by the painters along with other crafts at UC, and there is danger of ground being lost elsewhere under this new ruling.

To show the difference between pay under the two systems Rutledge cited the fact that painters working on the S. F.-Oakland bridge under civil service get approximately \$390 a month, this being based on what a handy man gets in a factory; on the Golden Gate bridge, where they are paid by the day, they get \$518 a month.

The loss of ground on pay at UC began, said Rutledge, when at UCLA the men agreed to take a differential.

The Personnel Board ruling, Rutledge felt, would be applied to all political subdivisions if allowed to stand unchecked.

"A good long look at our political alignments is seemingly needed," suggested Rutledge.

### CEMENT MASONS

At the request of Cement Masons 594, Stow Patios, 7025 East 14th, were cited to show cause why they should not be put on the We Don't Patronize list.

**LATHERS 88 SCALE**  
Lathers 88 new agreement, calling for an increase of hourly pay to \$3.84, effective May 1, was approved.

### SOUTHERN SERVICE

Secretary John Davey read a letter from Jack J. Williams and Charles R. Goldstein of the Southern Service Organizing Committee, telling developments in the struggle to organize the 27 laundries of the Southern Service chain for the Teamsters, Laundry Workers, and Operating Engineers.

### TULARE-KINGS FIGHT

A letter from M. L. Lawrence, secretary of the Tulare-Kings BTC, outlining the urgent need for funds to carry on the fight against non-union conditions created by the California Association of Employers in that area was read.

### FLOOD AID FUND

C. J. Haggerty, State Federation secretary-treasurer, wrote as secretary of the AFLCIO Flood Relief Committee, reporting that a total of \$207,206 for flood relief was raised by labor, of which \$67,128 was contributed directly through the committee.

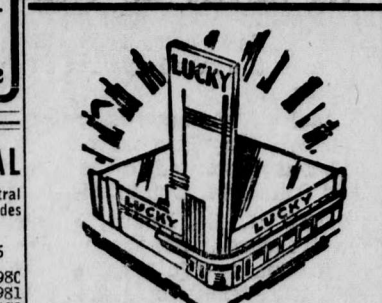
### HIGHWAY BILL

President Richard J. Gray, AFLCIO Building Trades Department, wrote on the struggle to keep the prevailing wage clause in the Highway Construction Bill. Republican Senator T. H. Kuchel of California was mentioned as holding out for the labor-backed prevailing wage clause, with Knowland opposing it.

### JOB CONFLICTS

Gray also sent an analysis of the jurisdictional job conflicts between building trades unions and industrial unions which led to the Building Trades Department's suggestion that merger on State and local levels be delayed.

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## Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

**JUNE GRADUATIONS**, June weddings, patio barbecues and camping trips, keep most of us busy now, with thoughts of Christmas a million miles away, yet right now old Santa's helpers are up to their ears in preparations for the Big Day next December.

In factories and plants all over the country thousands and thousands of busy hands are working on toys and gifts. Long before we begin to make out our shopping lists the store buyers have completed their "Christmas shopping" and can sit back and see how well we approve of the fare they have provided us with.

Almost as big a business as the gift business is the gift-wrapping business, for we have come to feel that a gift is only a half gift until it is wrapped and beribboned in gay Christmas colors.

In Pittsburgh, Pa., for instance, where a lot of our paper is manufactured, one company is already on a 24-hour day, seven-days a week schedule filling orders for gift wrappings.

This busy season, which begins in March and does not end until mid-December is at its peak now. And as for those colorful and always-new designs, they were dreamed up by the company's staff of artists some three years ago.

It's a \$100,000,000 industry, this gift wrapping business, and about twenty main companies in this country are engaged in it.

Not only paper is now being used, but new types of aluminum foil laminated to paper, are becoming increasingly popular. One company predicts that in a few short years about half our gifts will be wrapped in this new material.

We can pause a moment and think about these things in June without even the tiniest twinge of conscience, and then go on about our usual summer business with a happy sigh.

For not even the busiest knitting ladies need start the Christmas Sox for a while, nor the earliest birds of Christmas shoppers begin on those formidable lists!

**FUTURE FARMERS** of America from four Southern Alameda county high school chapters — Hayward, Livermore, Washington Township and Amador Valley — will compete for premiums in the junior department exhibits at the 1956 Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton, according to Supervisor Chester E. Stanley, chairman of the Fairgrounds Committee.

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## An Illustration Of Estes' Method Of Winning Votes

An interesting illustration of the attention to detail which Senator Estes Kefauver devoted in the Presidential primary campaign now ended was given by a letter from the Senator dated May 28 received by the editor of East Bay Labor Journal.

On U. S. Senate stationery, and with the name of the recipient correctly typed, the letter said:

It was certainly nice to see you out in California earlier this month and I do appreciate your interest in me.

I shall be returning tomorrow to remain until the Primary and feel with a lot of hard work, we can win. I hope you will help me all you can.

With every good wish,  
Sincerely,  
ESTES KEKAUVER

As some of our readers may remember, when Kefauver visited the Labor Temple May 14 he bought a copy of East Bay Labor Journal from the nickel-in-the-slot stand at the head of the stairs in the lobby.

When, some time later he shook hands with the editor, still holding the paper in his other hand, he said, in that mild friendly way of his, "I've been reading your paper."

Evidently he or some staff member of the campaign managed to get it enough, at least, to get the editor's name correctly spelled. Then doubtless that name, along with many others picked up on the tour, was turned over to a stenographic battery, and so each person on the list gets a nice "personal" letter.

But no matter how sophisticated one may be in analyzing how the trick was done, it's hard to keep from feeling that there is something very real about the feeling of the Senator from Tennessee that people are, let us say, people, and pretty nice folks.

However, when this particular recipient cast his vote June 5 he—but let's not go into that!

## Government Workers to Seek Living Cost Rise

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — The AFLCIO Government Employees' Council has voted unanimously to ask Congress for a "standard of living" wage hike for federal workers.

The proposal, voted by representatives of the 22 federal employee group affiliated with the Council, would seek to place government wages on a level comparable with salaries of industrial wage earners.

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## AFL-Ousted ILA, Involved in Beck, Meany Feud, Woored by Harry Bridges

The International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union headed by Harry Bridges is making a strong bid for friendly relations with the International Longshoremen's Association of the East Coast. The ILA has now for some time been a bone of contention between AFLCIO President George Meany and Teamster President Dave Beck.

As Beck and Meany were arguing themselves for the June 5 discussion of "the principles involved" in the efforts Beck has made to make an ally of the ILA, the ILWU's paper, the Dispatcher, which is very ably edited by Morris Watson, launched a special edition. In this special edition every effort is made by a skilled journalist, accustomed to working closely with Bridges, to woo the ILA.

The fact that Bridges' union was once part of the ILA is forcefully brought to mind by a picture on page one of the special edition bearing this caption: "Labor Day 1936. West Coast longshoremen march in Labor Day parade up San Francisco's Market street spelling out ILA. They were then in the Pacific Coast District 33 of ILA."

Those familiar with Pacific Coast labor history remember that the ILWU was formed by a rebellion against the ILA and that during that period Bridges denounced "King" Ryan, then head of the ILA, with about every name in the book.

But in the special edition of the Dispatcher the vials of wrath are dumped on the IBL, the International Brotherhood of Longshoremen which is affiliated with the AFLCIO, and which seeks to wrest control of

the New York waterfront from the ILA.

Explaining why the special edition is published, the editor of the Dispatcher says that "in the past two or three years the officers and members of the ILWU have heard and read radio and television newscasters and newspaper writers and columnists spill lies, filth and distortions about the ILWU's concern over the attempts to bust the ILA. The IBL has had almost as much to say about the ILWU, what it is doing and why, as it has about the ILA. We have sat back and kept silent long enough."

**'COMMIE' & 'GANGSTER'**

The Dispatcher contends that "a common date for termination of all longshore contracts in the United States and territories and national or parallel negotiations are desired aims of both the ILA and the ILWU."

Again attacking the AFLCIO International Brotherhood of Longshoremen the Dispatcher argues that "the IBL has got to have some excuse for trying to wreck the ILA and scabbing on it, so it hollers 'Commie' at ILWU and 'Gangster' at ILA."

The ILA was thrown out of the AFL before the merger of that federation with the CIO, on the ground that the ILA was notoriously dominated by gangsters and racketeers. When Jim Hoffa, international vice president of the Teamsters operating in the Midwest, formed an alliance with the ILA and offered to lend money to it, Meany intervened and called a special meeting of the AFLCIO executive council for May 1.

Beck sent the AFLCIO word that the offer of the loan had been withdrawn.

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## Apricot & Cherry Work Coming Soon

Four seasonal farm labor offices are now operating in the Bay Area to assist farm workers in finding employment, it is announced by R. A. Resleure of the California Department of Employment.

These offices open at 5 a.m. Monday through Friday and will operate on Saturdays and holidays as required. The Oakland office is again located at 588 - 7th Street, for Richmond residents there is an office at 1320 - 13th Street in San Pablo.

Two farm labor offices operate in San Francisco, one at 755 Howard Street, the other at 1752 O'Farrell Street.

The Decoto farm labor office at 607 E. Street is operating on a year-round basis, with William W. Allan in charge; it was moved May 1 from Irvington.

Resleure expects that a need will soon exist for apricot and cherry pickers in southern Alameda and Santa Clara counties. Those interested are invited to call at one of the local farm labor offices.

2200 farm placements were made by the Oakland office last month as against 450 during May, 1955. The majority of workers were driven to strawberry picking, pea picking and cotton chopping jobs by licensed labor contractors on a day-haul basis. Those having their own transportation were referred to local jobs in southern Alameda county.

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## IAM Auxiliary Has Birthday Party

By OLIVE M. HARVEY  
Press Correspondent

The first June meeting of IAM Oakland Auxiliary was called to order by President Naomi Vercelli. Attendance was fair for this time of the year and considerable business was attended to regarding the convention and other major items on the agenda.

Our birthday party, which was held on the last meeting night of May, was well attended and every one reported a good time. The dancers, who were supplied by President Naomi, were very good. Visitors from the two San Francisco Auxiliary's, the two Vallejo Auxiliary's and the Richmond Auxiliary, were all very profuse in their compliments on our floor work, our good eats which were prepared by Vice President Flo Clarke, Gladys Lear, and Opal Lawrence, and the table decorations which were done by Evelyn Gerholdt and Eva Hare assisted by the other members of the committee, and I also had a finger in the pie as chairman. Even our own members said everything was nice.

Sister Trudy Singleton is home now after a major surgery and doing nicely. Sister Elsie Erickson is on the ill list, also sister Trellis Warring is told by her doctor to rest after a slight heart attack, so try and remember to send cards to them. Sister Ruth Downs hurt her leg, and has difficulty in walking. I understand she fell down stairs.

Our President Naomi has the honor of being elected president of the Bill Irwin Post, American Legion Auxiliary, this coming Tuesday. We offer our congratulations and best wishes for a successful year.

Also congratulations are in order to sister Pauline and Brother Tony Tomsic who will have a new daughter when their son Ronnie marries Miss Jackie Markus on June 16th at the Stanford Chapel in Palo Alto.

Chairman Florence Meade announces there will be a meeting of the sewing club at her home, 1132 Post Street, Alameda, on the 4th Tuesday, June 26th, and would like all that can attend.

Past President Opal Lawrence, is leaving Friday for a two weeks vacation in Texas. I forgot: Jake's going along too. We all hope they have a wonderful time as did Past President Eve Hare and Brother Tom when they visited for two weeks in Salt Lake City and all over Colorado.

The past presidents held their May meeting at Sister Marie Dixon's home and the June one at Sister Nellie Blanford's home. As usual we had a good time and enjoyed the good eats at both places like we always do after our business meeting was over.

When you buy be sure and check on that little old Union Label.

## Rest Home Staff For Hospital 250

Employees of the Kings Daughters Home of California, 3900 Broadway, voted this week 51 to 5 to make Hospital & Institutional Workers 250 their bargaining agent in an election supervised by State Conciliator Tom Nicolopoulos. There was no opposing union.

Business Representative John Robinson said that all employees except supervisory personnel and registered nurses are included, and that negotiations for a contract will commence shortly. He added that it is the first rest home organized in East Bay.

JOSEPH D. KEENAN, international secretary of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, was one of seven prominent business, civic and labor leaders added to the board of directors of the American Arbitration Association.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!



## To All Members of East Bay Automotive Machinists 1546

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 P.M. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,  
A. J. HAYES,  
Recording Secretary

## Sheet Metal Workers Local No. 216

Death Assessment No. 392 is now due and payable. Brother Loren D. Atkinson, No. 90506, a member of Local No. 104, San Francisco, passed away on May 19, 1956.

LLOYD CHILD,  
Fraternally,  
Business Representative

## Cement Masons 594

The next regular meeting, to be held Thursday, June 21, at 8 p.m., will be a special meeting. On the special order of business is the election of delegates to the State Conference and the State Federation convention; also action on a resolution.

Yours fraternally,  
M. D. DILLASHAW,  
Secretary

## San Francisco-Oakland Mailers 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18 will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk St., Room 302, San Francisco on Sunday afternoon, June 17, 1956 at 1:00 o'clock.

Fraternally,  
DOUGLAS A. SMITH,  
Secretary

## Hayward Culinary Workers and Bartenders 823

The regular meeting will be held Tuesday, June 19, at 8:00 p.m. at Local 823 headquarters.

Fraternally yours,  
ROY WOODS,  
Secretary-Treasurer

## Hayward Painters 1178

Again, a special meeting of this Local is called for the night of June 15 next. The order of business will be to elect officers for the coming year. The term of office will begin July 1 of this year.

As usual, for your convenience, the polls will be open at 7 p.m. and close at 9 p.m. on that night. Soon after that a meeting will be called for such business as may regularly come before it.

Fraternally yours,  
ROBERT G. MILLER,  
Recording Secretary

## Southern Alameda County Voters League-AFL

Southern Alameda County Voters League-AFL will hold its monthly scheduled meeting Thursday, June 21, at 8 p.m. in the Culinary Hall, Soto and B streets.

Very important matters in connection with the November election are coming up, so please make it a point to attend.

Fraternally yours,  
ANDRE N. LA ROCHE,  
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Dressing Room Chatter

## Theater B-82 On Status of Retro

By JOE CONNELLY

Retroactive checks have been received from the Chimes and Eastmont theaters, for employees who worked there after March 1, 1955 to the time the theaters closed.

All other Fox West Coast checks have been returned to the issuing houses where they have been redeposited. Former employees of these houses should contact the theater direct and a new check will be issued.

Assistant Manager Dan Gallagher reports from the T & D theater that all retroactive checks have been delivered to present and former employees with the exceptions of: Nat Aydelotte, Georgia Frye, Bill Gookin, Roberta Gookin, Velma Grimes, Laura Johnson, Marlene Souza, and Celeste Steinbeck.

United California Theaters checks including all Golden State houses, as well as the U. A. in Berkeley and Richmond are still being computed.

Up and down the aisle... Former member Ed Forsberg, who used to handle the door at the Neptune and Alameda Theaters broke into the news recently when he won \$28,000 in the Irish Sweepstakes.

Ran into former manager Lee Silvera of the Roxie, who is now working as a police clerk for the O. P. D. Tells us that brother Bert Silvera, former assistant at the T & D, and later manager of the Broadway and Central is doing nicely with his own house in Sacramento.

Ed Bushey of the Paramount door was the first to inspect the new offices. The new address is 2030 Broadway, directly across from the Paramount theater.

Seems to be some substance to the current rumor that the Orpheum Theater building or at least part of it will be demolished to make room for a parking lot.

Next union meeting on the 3rd Thursday June 21st at 11:30 p.m. Same location as the business office.

Steamfitters Notes, Local 342

## Picnic on July 15 For Steamfitters

By JIM MARTIN

We would like to remind you that our annual picnic will be held on Sunday, July 15, 1956, at Knowland Park, located at 98th Avenue and Golf Links Road in East Oakland. Be sure to keep this date open. The picnic committee has been busy making arrangements for this picnic.

Negotiating committee meetings have been held this past week with employer associations. Your negotiating committee may be able to present their recommendations to the membership at the next meeting on June 21, if the negotiations have been concluded by that time.

We are very sorry to report the death of Brother Fletcher Ketchum, who passed away June 8. Funeral services will be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on June 16. In behalf of the officers and members of Local Union No. 342, we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to brother Ketchum's family in their hour of sorrow.

We wish to remind the membership that there will be one meeting a month only for the months of July, August and September and that the Executive Board will meet the second and fourth Thursdays only during these same months.

PREPAID DENTAL care for children of Pacific Coast dock workers will continue another year, trustees of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union - Pacific Maritime Association Welfare Fund announced.

## AFLCIO ON KGO

The AFLCIO announces from Washington that the schedules Monday through Friday of Commentators Edward P. Morgan and John W. Vandereock on KGO are: Morgan 6:45 p. m.; Vandereock 10:05 p. m.

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## Watchmaker Allen Returns to Coast

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

Inasmuch as I have just returned to the office, I am bringing brought up to date on the happenings since I have been away.

I had a very pleasant vacation and visited with my son George in San Diego, enroute home.

Now that the convention is over and my vacation in the past, I will attend to the matters which had to await my return.

Needless to say, I will have a busy week ahead and will make a report on my activities in next week's column.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: The Executive Board will meet on Thursday, June 21st at 7 p.m.—Union Office.

CARL J. MEGEL, president of the AFLCIO American Federation of Teachers has called mass teaching by television "Automation in Education," and described it as "another gimmick" by school officials to keep from paying salaries high enough to secure enough teachers.

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## Strand Barbecue Products Checked

Sheet Metal Production Workers 355 has signed up a majority of the employees of Strand Corporation of California, makers of barbecue equipment and supplies, and has learned that many of the workers get as much as 30 cents below union scale.

Central Labor Council Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx so informed the CLC delegates this week. He added that the company is trying to ignore the union.

Groulx and Vernon Hall of Local 355 have toured hardware stores checking on the retail outlets the two types of barbecue braziers put out by the company, one called the Strand and the other the Catalina. They were also checking on the grocery outlets of another product of the company, called the Kiss of Fire, a device for lighting briquettes.

Information on stores handling any of these products would be appreciated by Hall and Groulx.

ROBERT C. KIRKWOOD, State Controller, said that General Fund revenues for the first 10 months of fiscal 1955-56 amounted to \$796,021,239.

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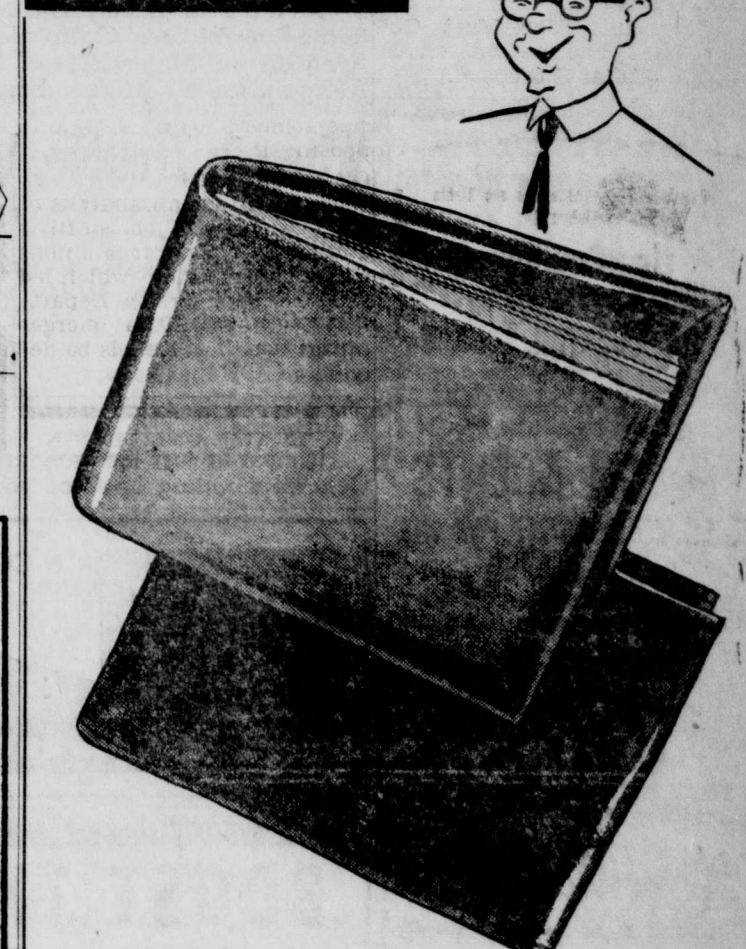
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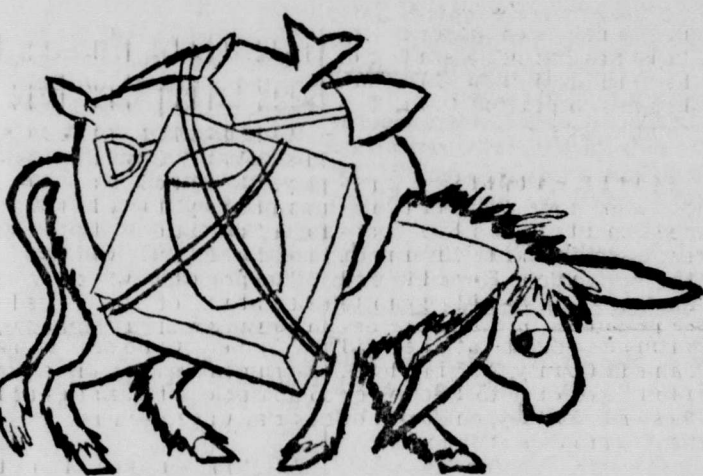


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## OPINIONS

### ESTES' PROPOSAL

"The Kefauver Story" a campaign biography by Jack Anderson and Fred Blumenthal, says that when the Tennessee was a young bachelor lawyer just starting his political career in Chattanooga, the following interesting event took place:

One debutante of the time, now a happily married Chattanooga socialite, recalls attending a dance with the eligible young bachelor. Kefauver suggested slipping out for a breath of air, and they strolled arm in arm to a secluded corner of the garden. The scene was bathed in soft moonlight; the air was charged with the heady perfume of a June night.

"I have something important to ask you, Kefauver said gently.

"The girl gave his hand an encouraging squeeze. "Go ahead, Keef. Don't be shy," she whispered. "Well," said Kefauver, groping for words. "You know a lot of prominent women. What I'm trying to figure out is—How can we get their help on reappointment?"

### NOT QUITE FULL!

Current boasts of full employment and peak production tend to gloss over and obscure the depressed economic conditions existing in many communities. Frequently these conditions have existed for several years.—Paul H. Douglas, Senator from Illinois.

### SMARTER?

There are disquieting signs that people believe we are a lot smarter than we were in the 1920's.—Chairman William McCleskey Martin of the Federal Reserve System.

### UNIFIED WORLD

Let's not be too pessimistic about the chances of a unified world. Already we have the great fraternity of nations which are sore at John Foster Dulles. — New Haven Register.

### CLOSE SHAVE

International Harvester Co. sponsored a plant tour for member of a barbers' union, figuring they'd pass along favorable first-hand impressions to captive customers. — Wall Street Journal, Dec. 29, 1955.

### FARM INCOME

What declining farm income means to the industrial workers is less industrial production and the constant threat or reality of unemployment. — Walter Reuther.

### MUST GO

Wisconsin's "Joe Must Go" movement has caught on in Russia.—Adlai Stevenson.

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## EDITORIALS

### Carpenters See the Clock: It's Time for 7-Hour Day!

The carpenters in Alameda county have strike sanction from the Building Trades Council, and other locals of that powerful union in the Bay Area are arming themselves with sanctions. They are preparing for what may turn out to be one of the classics in labor history—the resolute battle for the 7-hour day.

Chester Bartolini, executive secretary of the Bay District Council of Carpenters, told the BTC delegates that the employers during the negotiations with the union have been trying to scare any "weak sisters" whose ears they can capture with the supposedly terrifying question: "Do you want to kill the goose that lays the golden egg?"

The truth is that the celebrated goose in question is indeed about to "lay an egg" as we say in colloquial parlance. And that egg won't be golden; it will be mass unemployment due to technological advance.

More labor saving devices, less labor; less labor, fewer jobs; fewer jobs, more unemployment. That's what the carpenters foresee, and no amount of golden phrases about golden eggs is going to take their eye off the goose.

The London Times is obviously not in very close touch with our carpenters, but some recent advice it gave to the British Government shows it understands the feelings of the carpenters. Commenting on the fear that British workers have of what rapid technological change means to them, the by no means radical Times says:

"The worst mistake that official policy could make would be to pretend that these things are not so. The aim should be to face the facts openly and by intelligent forethought to reduce the hurtful consequences of new developments to a minimum."

That's what the carpenters are doing. They're using intelligent forethought. If productivity per hour greatly increases, then reduce the number of hours to head off unemployment. No amount of golden goose-egging by employers is going to distract them.

Carpenters are not clock-watchers. They don't have the time for that in the hurry of the modern way of working. But right now they have their eye on the clock, and they can see plainly that it's time for the 7-hour day!

### June 5 Was a Bad Day for the Trib

Whoever lost the primary last week, the Knowland Tribune certainly did!

The Trib plugged hard and long and obstreperously for the county charter amendments which would have taken away citizens' right to vote for an important list of county officials, and lost heavily on all but one of the 8 proposals.

The Trib's dream of copping the Democratic nomination for Republican Senator Kuchel as it was once grabbed by Republican Senator Knowland under the crossfiling system was a dream that died when the votes were counted. Same with the dream of capturing the Democratic nomination for Knowland-Trib-Republican John J. Allen in the 7th District. Dr. Laurence L. Cross meets Allen in November.

In the 8th Congressional District Congressman George P. Miller, longtime thorn in the side of the Trib, ran up on the Democratic and Republican tickets a total of some 94,000 votes compared with the 37,000 polled by his Republican opponent on both tickets.

In not one of the contested Assembly Districts did the Trib succeed in knocking out the opposition; conversely, in not one, of course, did a labor-backed candidate get knocked out.

Nor did Supervisor Razeto of the Knowland-Allen alliance succeed in knocking out labor's candidate in the 5th Supervisorial District, Dr. Boliver Moore; he stays in the ring to face Razeto in November.

And while the Trib would rather see Senator Knowland become President than have the incumbent retained, as the Republican Party organ in these parts it couldn't have been too comforted to see how many more Democrats voted for Stevenson and Kefauver than Republicans voted for Eisenhower. In Alameda county Stevenson alone pulled within a few hundred votes of Eisenhower, each of them getting some 90,000 votes; and in addition over 44,000 Democrats voted for Kefauver. If you add 90,000 and 44,000 you get a figure considerably over Eisenhower's 90,000 to put it mildly.

All in all, June 5 was a bad day for the Trib. And a very good day for East Bay Labor Journal, thank you!

As the Trib so truly said in its headline over the editorial in the June 6 issue: "California Election Results Prove Gratifying on the Major Issues." But just why the Trib should feel gratified is a profound mystery.

### When in Trouble, Wait for Ike!

Senator Wiley of Wisconsin has stuck with Eisenhower through thick and thin on foreign policy issues. Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin managed at the recent Republican convention to have Wiley repudiated as a candidate for reelection, and to put a McCarthy man in his place. Experts agree that if Eisenhower had passed the word to the Wisconsin GOP that he wanted Wiley back in the Senate, they'd have gone along. But he didn't. So now Wiley has to fight it out alone.

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**WILLIAM P. FEE MEMORIAL DEDICATION.** Members of the family of the late William P. Fee, for many years assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council; and officials of the CLC are shown at the June 4 dedication of the William P. Fee Memorial Room in the Labor Temple. Left to right are shown: CLC Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx, William P. Fee Jr., Mrs. William P. Fee, CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash, CLC President John F. Quinn. Mrs. Fee is shown receiving from President Quinn a check for the balance of the fund raised by unions remaining after the furnishing of the room and the making of the beautiful plaque of Fee placed on a wall of the room.

### AFLCIO Building Dedicated by Ike

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — The home of American labor, the new AFLCIO headquarters building in the nation's capital, was formally dedicated by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in brief, impressive ceremonies.

The President was joined by AFLCIO President George Meany in exercises that attracted 2500 guests and spectators.

With the impressive eight-story structure as a backdrop, President Eisenhower voiced his delight at paying "this neighborly call" from the White House across Lafayette Park.

Speaking from a specially-erected platform on Sixteenth Street under a bright June sky, Meany declared the structure is dedicated "to the founders of our movement, to those pioneers of long ago whose courage and sacrifices helped to establish and build the free trade union movement."

**PENSION - LABOR -** Democratic Club of 17th Assembly District at its meeting 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, June 15, at 308 14th Street will have as guest speaker Victor Brandt, Building Service Employees 18, President Robert B. Russell announces.

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### 3 Major Actions By AFLCIO Board

The AFLCIO News June 9 issue announced that the AFLCIO Executive Committee, has, among other things:

1—Authorized a 15-cent per capita assessment on international and directly affiliated unions, probably to be paid at the rate of one cent a month for 15 months beginning in July, to balance the AFLCIO budget, in view of post-merger operating expenses.

2—Asked the Building Trades Department to call a meeting of the presidents of its 19 affiliates at which President Meany will ask withdrawal of a recent letter urging "go slow" action on mergers of State federations of labor and industrial union councils.

3—Referred evidence of corrupt handling of welfare funds to various international unions, some of whose locals appear to be involved, and asked the AFLCIO Ethical Practices Committee, headed by President Al J. Hayes of the Machinists, to bring in recommendations.

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### Warehousemen'n 853 Busy Negotiating

Teamster Warehousemen 853 have reached a settlement on one of the many contracts they negotiate with various industrial groups. This one is with 34 firms represented by United Employers, Inc. It calls for a 5-cent hourly wage increase, 10 cents hourly on a pension plan, Admission Day is a paid holiday, and 3 weeks vacation after 10 years. It is a 3-year contract retroactive to June 1.

Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Nicholas said the union is busy with other negotiations, each one of which, having different conditions, requires separate approaches on a varying basis. Some of these other industrial groups are: plumbing, steel, grocery, electric, liquor, furniture, and retail stores.

### Douglas Smith Is Mailer Secretary

Douglas A. Smith is now secretary of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers 18, Horace Stafford having resigned the post. Smith and Duncan Ross contested for the place.

### Court: Severance Bans Jobless Pay

The State Department of Employment policy of denying unemployment insurance benefits to workers who have received severance pay has been upheld by the State Supreme Court.

The court divided 4 to 3 on the decision which climaxed five years of litigation initiated by the San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild on behalf of unemployed Guild members.

The Guild had won the case once in San Francisco Superior Court and again in the State Court of Appeals. Various employer associations then joined newspaper publishers to gain a hearing in the Supreme Court. The Court handed down its ruling on June 4.

The Court majority found that payment of unemployment benefits in addition to lean economy is taking us severance pay conflicted with what it declares is a policy against duplication of payments to discharged employees. It rejected the Guild contention that severance payments represented compensation for past service and accepted the Employment Department's interpretation that such payments should be allocated to the period following termination of employment.

A vigorous dissenting opinion was written by Justice Carter and concurred in by Chief Justice Traynor and Justice Gibson.

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